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SUBJ: TURKISH CEASE FIRE VIOLATIONS

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1. UKUN HAS INFORMED US IN STRICT CONFIDENCE OF PROPOSAL MADE BY UNFICYP COMMANDER PREM CHAND TO BLOCK POSSIBLE TURKISH ADVANCE TOWARD KYTHREA (REFTEL) AND OTHER CEASEFIRE VIOLATIONS. PREM'S PROPOSAL IS TO ESTABLISH UNFICYP POSTS BETWEEN TURKISH FORCES AND NATIONAL GUARD. IMMEDIATE PURPOSE APPARENTLY IS TO BLOCK TURKISH DRIVE EAST FROM NICOSIA EXPECTED BY UNFICYP AT DAWN JULY 26.

2. USYG URQUHART'S FIRST REACTION WAS THAT PREM'S PROPOSED ACTION WAS DANGEROUS AND UNWISE. SITUATION DIFFERED FROM LAST NIGHT'S IN THAT UNFICYP'S POSITION AT AIRPORT WAS

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FAR MORE DEFENSIBLE MILITARILY. ALSO, IT WAS ARGUEABLE

THAT UFICYP WOULD BE EXCEEDING ITS MANDATE IN TAKING TYPE OF ACTION WHICH PREM PROPOSED. URQUHART SAID HE PLANNED RECOMMEND TO SYG THAT USYG GUYER BE INSTRUCTED TO BROACH PREM'S PROPOSAL TO PARTIES IN GENEVA. HE SAID GUYER WOULD BE TOLD TO ADD CAVEAT THAT INTERPOSITION OF POSTS BETWEEN TURKISH FORCES AND NATIONAL GUARD COULD NOT BE EFFECTED UNTIL CEASEFIRE VIOLATIONS CEASED AND PARTIES AGREED.

3. COMMENT: URQUHART'S RECOMMENDATION STRIKES US AS SOUND. IF PRESSURE IS TO BE PUT ON TURKS, IT MAY BE PSYCHOLOGICALLY EASIER WITHOUT UNFICYP STANDING IN THEIR WAY.
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